

December 27, 2012

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Shelton, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Chief Dixon; and Ed Adams.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Curtis moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of the Water Chairman.

Chairman Curtis stated he has no report.

Supt. Gray stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board ?

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker stated on the Legal portion of the Agenda is designation of a newspaper for Utility Board publications for 2013.

Board member Curtis moved the Mount Vernon Democrat be designated for Utility Board publications for 2013. seconded by Board member Shelton.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker stated under Old Business is action on the Jack Osborne water adjustment, tabled at their previous meeting.

Board member Curtis stated if he remembers correctly, they needed more data to verify that there is no leak.

Action was then tabled again until the next meeting.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

Board member Curtis stated he and Board member Fuelling are in discussions with the Street Department and the Water Works in reference to a trade: looking at the Water Works taking over all of the Street Department property on W. 2nd and having a pole barn on Kimball that would also have office space in it. He added the details are not worked out but they are trying to get all of the Street Department equipment under roof and at one location. He stated he will have more information for them later.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion adjourn.

Board member Curtis moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer

The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Shelton, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Chief Dixon; and Ed Adams.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Councilman Hoehn moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented.

Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Standing Committees.

Street & Light Chairman Fuelling stated he has no report.

Comm. Maynard was not present.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Police & Dog Chairwoman Shelton stated she has no report.

Chief Beloat stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Fire Chairwoman Higgins stated she has no report.

Chief Dixon stated he has no report.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Sewer Chairman Hoehn stated he has no report.

Supt. Givens was not present.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Council ?

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker stated they are now ready for the Legal portion of the Agenda. He stated the first item is to designate a newspaper for Council publications for 2013.

Councilman Curtis moved the Mount Vernon Democrat be designated for 2013 Council publications.

Seconded by Councilwoman Shelton.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated the second item for consideration is a Resolution to Transfer.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added there is no fiscal impact because of this resolution, it is merely making transfers within budgets to be certain that all major categories in the budgets did not go over for the year.

Councilman Curtis moved the Resolution to Transfer in the General and Park & Recreation Funds be approved. Seconded by Councilwoman Shelton.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Shelton – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Hoehn – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 12-26.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item is an Ordinance from the Area Plan Commission.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman stated she received the ordinance today from Mrs. Bourne, and they will table now until the next meeting to give the Council time to review it. She added she believes it may be a rezoning and asked Councilman Hoehn if he was aware of what it might be ?

Councilman Hoehn replied it could possibly about cleaning up of the dog ordinance, but he isn't certain.

Mayor Tucker stated the next item is the second reading of the Ordinance Updating, Restating, and Recodifying Title IX – General Regulations, Chapter 93 – Fair Housing Practices, Sections 93.01 through 93.04, and 93.07.

Councilman Curtis moved the ordinance pass on second reading. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Shelton – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – no;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Councilman Curtis moved the rules be suspended. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Shelton – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – no;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Councilman Curtis moved the ordinance pass on final reading. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

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Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 12-27.

Mayor Tucker stated the final item is a Resolution of Loan Forgiveness.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman explained there are two ordinances before them – they both concern the loans that were made to General and Park & Recreation. One forgives the paybacks of the entire amounts and the other has blanks if Council want to forgive only a portion. She then stated she feels it would benefit both funds to forgive the entire amounts. EDIT will have an estimated year end balance of \$730,000 and Rainy Day will have an estimated balance of \$93,000.

Councilman Curtis stated he feels they should forgive this because if not, come March they will again be approached for more loans. He added if they forgive these and if in March they need more, it will be a tougher sell. He then moved the Resolution Authorizing the Forgiveness of Temporary Loans from the Rainy Day and the EDIT Fund for the Benefit of the General Fund and Park & Recreation Fund be approved. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

Councilman Hoehn stated they really need an actual line item budget with realistic dollar amounts. He added he realizes that trash for instance, runs in the red, etc. He then stated moving money from here to there four or five times a year it not good business.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any other discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasure with Council voting as follows:

Shelton – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 12-28.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

Councilman Hoehn asked if there was anything new on the bridge project east of town ?

Councilman Curtis replied Kieffer was awarded the job and their completion date is set for February 15, 2013.

Councilman Fuelling added that is an easy time line.

Mayor Tucker agreed and added it is a 10 day to two week project.

Councilman Hoehn questioned if there would be any down time for the business out there while this work was being done ?

Councilman Curtis replied that is a question for Supt. Givens, he really isn't sure, but if so, he wouldn't think it would be for very long.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated they are ready for the District Reports.

1st District Councilwoman Shelton stated she has no report.

2nd District Councilman Fuelling stated he has no report.

3rd District Councilman Hoehn reported 10 inches of snow in his district.

Mayor Tucker added Comm. Maynard did a good job on the winter storm, even though they did have to get some outside help. They had equipment problems as well.

Councilman Curtis stated there is 0 snow plow equipment on the trucks right now, none are operational.

Councilman Hoehn stated the Council was told they had issues with vehicles down there.

4th District Councilman Curtis stated he has no report.

Councilwoman-at-Large Higgins stated she has no report.

Mayor Tucker announced the following appointments for 2013:

Police & Dog Chairwoman	Councilwoman Higgins
Fire Chairwoman	Councilwoman Shelton
Sewer Chairman	Councilman Fuelling
Street & Light Chairman	Councilman Hoehn

Water Chairman	Councilman Curtis
Area Plan Commission	Councilman Hoehn, who added that is fine with him
Solid Waste Mgmt	Councilman Fuelling
City Attorney	Beth McFadin Higgins
Bd of Works	Councilmen Fuelling and Curtis

He then added the Council needs to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilman Fuelling moved Councilman Curtis be appointed Mayor Pro Tem. Seconded by Councilman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

City Engineer	Paul Breeze
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Mayor Tucker then stated he forwarded Council the email from Marcia McCutchan about the birds. He asked if Supt. Gray wanted to address that.

Supt. Gray stated the birds are a force of nature, and there are more this year then he has ever seen. He added they won't cross the river and there are tens of thousands of them, they want to roost on the river. He then stated they have also found out that propane cannons don't work either.

Mayor Tucker stated Supt. Gray is doing a good job, with no extra pay, and he really appreciates it.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Councilman Hoehn moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer